### Renewing a Registration?

Health club registrations must be renewed annually.

You must submit:

- 1) renewal application;
- 2) \$150 renewal fee;
- 3) <u>and</u> copies of all membership and health club agreements offered by the health club.

Renewal applications must be received by the Division prior to the expiration of the current registration.

Late renewals are subject to a \$50 late fee.

No renewal application will be accepted more than thirty (30) days from its expiration. You must apply for a new registration.

### **Closing a Health Club?**

The health club must provide written notice to the division within ten (10) days after the health club or any of its locations cease to conduct business.



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### HEALTH CLUB REGISTRATIONS

Created in 1977, the
Tennessee Division of
Consumer Affairs works to
enforce the state Consumer
Protection Act and assist
consumers and businesses
affected by unfair business
practices. The Division's
responsibilities include
registration of health clubs.

# Part 3 of the Tennessee Consumer Protection Act:

- establishes the registration procedures for health clubs;
- outlines the requirements for valid health club agreements and memberships;
- and states that owners are responsible for determining that such health clubs are in compliance with the provision of this part.

#### Who is Required to Register?

- a) It is unlawful to operate a health club unless a valid certificate of registration is obtained for each location where health club services or facilities are provided.
- Each holder of a certificate of registration must display such certificate in a conspicuous place at the location where health club services or facilities are provided.
- c) Certificates of registration shall be renewed annually.
   (certain exemptions may apply)

### Opening a New Health Club?

You must submit:

- 1) an application;
- 2) \$250 application fee;
- and copies of all membership and health club agreements offered by your health club.

### **Change in Ownership?**

Certificates of registration are not transferable.

If a change in ownership of more than forty-nine percent (49%) of a health club or any of its locations occurs, the new owner must apply for a new registration before commencing or continuing business.

The health club must provide written notice to the Division within ten (10) days after any change in ownership, change of location or the sale of a health club is made.

## Changing the Club's Name or Address?

Your club must notify the Division when your club name or address changes to ensure that your renewal is forwarded to the appropriate location.